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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: ALLOSTERIC MODULATORS OF  
METABOTROPIC GLUTAMATE  
RECEPTORS

Examiner: T. A. Solola

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Applicants are in receipt of the non-Final Office Action dated September 21, 2009 (the "Office Action"), and now submit this response, which is timely filed. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the remarks that follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.